

Amend CSSB 979 (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section 112.063(b), Transportation Code (page 1, lines 30-39), and substitute the following:

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (d), a private entity that operates or plans to operate a high-speed rail project, represents itself as having the power of eminent domain, and acquires real property for a high-speed rail project may not use the property for any purpose other than a high-speed rail project.

(c) Except as provided by Subsection (d), a person from whom real property is acquired by a private entity as described by Subsection (b), and the person's heirs, successors, and assigns, are entitled to notice and opportunity to repurchase the property before all other purchasers if:

(1) the high-speed rail project for which the property was acquired is canceled before the property is used for that project;

(2) the property is not used for the high-speed rail project for which the property was acquired before the 10th anniversary of the date of acquisition; or

(3) the property becomes unnecessary for the high-speed rail project for which the property was acquired before the 10th anniversary of the date of acquisition.

(d) Subsections (b) and (c) do not apply to real property acquired by a private entity as described by Subsection (b) that is not acquired through a condemnation proceeding under Chapter 21, Property Code, if, before the acquisition of the property:

(1) the entity acquiring the property gives written notice to the person from whom the property is to be acquired that the property may be used for a purpose other than a high-speed rail project; and

(2) the person from whom the property is to be acquired signs a statement acknowledging that written notice was given under Subdivision (1).

(e) This section does not affect:

(1) the rights of a person from whom real property is acquired under Chapter 21, Property Code; or

(2) any statutory right of an entity with the power of eminent domain.

(2) Reletter subsequent subsections of added Section 112.063, Transportation Code, accordingly.